

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings and versions of claims in this application:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising an oligosaccharide blend that comprises fructo-oligosaccharide (FOS) and galacto-oligosaccharide (GOS), wherein (a) ~~each of said FOS and said GOS~~ a daily dosage of said oligosaccharide blend is about 25 g; contains up to about 95% by weight of (b) ~~each of said~~ oligofructose and oligogalactose are composed of chains with a degree of polymerization ranging from about 2 to about 7; ~~(b) (c)~~ the weight ratio of FOS and GOS is from about 0.5 to about 20; and (e d) the FOS and GOS are capable of synergistically promoting the growth of *Lactobacilli*, such that their combined prebiotic property is greater than the a sum of their individual prebiotic properties.

2-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the ~~amount~~ daily dosage of the FOS and GOS oligosaccharide blend is ~~comprised between about 2.0 to about 55% by weight or by volume, based on the total weight or total volume of the composition about 20 g or 15 g.~~

6. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 1, wherein said composition provides at least 400 kcal per serving.

7. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises more than about 1 en % protein, based on the total caloric content of the composition.

8. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is nutritionally complete.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 5, wherein the composition comprises, per 100 ml: about 1.25 g FOS, about 1.25 g GOS, about 9 g proteins, about 22 g carbohydrates and about 9 g fats.

11. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is a ready-for-consumption composition.

12-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises glutamine.

27. (New) A composition comprising an oligosaccharide blend that consists essentially of fructo-oligoasaccharide (FOS) and galacto-oligoasaccharide (GOS), wherein each of said FOS and said GOS contains up to 95% by weight of said oligofructose and said oligogalactose that are composed of chains with a degree of polymerization ranging from about 2 to about 7 and wherein the weight ratio of FOS and GOS is from about 0.5 to about 20 and wherein the FOS and GOS are capable of synergistically promoting the growth of *Lactobacilli*, such that their combined prebiotic property is greater than the sum of their individual prebiotic properties.